

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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INFORMATION COMMUNICATION METHOD, AND  
INFORMATION PROVISION BUSINESS METHOD  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The relevance of Documents A2 and A3 is described in the present specification.

Document A1 (U.S. 5,999,975) is a U.S. counterpart of Document A3 (JP 10-326289).

Document A4 relates to a multiagent system, agent presenting device recording medium, multiagent operating method and mobile agent system.

Document A5 relates to a service providing system.

English translations of the foreign-language documents are not readily available; however, English language abstracts are provided herewith. The absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609).

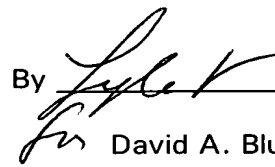
The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), within three (3) months of the filing date of the application.

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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